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Applicant(s): Michael E. Beard, et al

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Invention:

Removable Receptacle for Use on an Offshore Structure

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☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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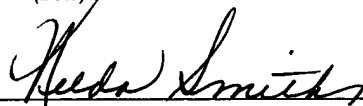

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